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QUESTION	ANSWERED BY	ANSWER
Are the current vendors eligible to bid on this project?	Bob Bradshaw	All vendors currently working with EDD are eligible, except for the IPOC, IV&V, and Procurement Assistant vendors and staff that are already contracted on the DIA project.
Is the EDD expecting a ready-made /COTS solution to fulfill this RFP?	Bob Bradshaw	The DIA solution will incorporate some COTS application with the BICC, identity management components, and Goethe with scanning and imaging. While we expect the .NET component (which will process claims and interact with the existing mainframe system) will need to be custom developed, if you have a COTS solution, we would be happy to look at it.
If the bidder has parts of the expected solution working in a similar business area, would the EDD be prepared for a custom solution?	Bob Bradshaw	We currently have a COTS solution for the BICC, and identity management components and at Goethe with scanning and imaging. The overall solution would have a need for some custom integration solution among the Application and Business Process Management Servers, SQL Database Server Cluster, and Mainframe Integration Servers as well as the previously mentioned COTS components.
Is EDD only looking for a Microsoft .NET centric solution?	Bob Bradshaw	.NET is EDD's stated direction, and that is what we're looking for. EDD has a large investment in staff training with .NET.
Can you please elaborate on your Business Intelligence Competency Center? Which vendors are involved in the above?	Bob Bradshaw	The BICC deployed in-house at EDD. It uses a SAS toolset, and it's been up for about year. We want to take our DIA requirements and integrate them into the existing BICC infrastructure.
Will the presentation be made available on the website?	Dave Tanaka	It will be on the DIA public website at edd.ca.gov/dia.
When will the attendee list be available in the Bidders' Library?	Dave Tanaka	Attendee list will be available on the DIA public website at edd.ca.gov/dia.
Will EDD project team participate in	Dave Tanaka	Neither EDD nor DGS can dictate how primes partner with

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networking small business and DVBEs with primes?		subcontractors; that's up to the primes. DGS and EDD do not have an advocate placed on the project to sync up a prime with SB/DVBE.
Can you please clarify if the T&Cs specified in the RFP are going to be modified to reflect changes discussed by DGS on Feb 28 th ?	Dave Tanaka	Submit a formal written question. DGS management and more information are needed to answer the question.
Are you considering a line of credit in lieu of performance bond?	Dave Tanaka	Submit a formal written question. DGS management and more information are needed to answer the question.
 Will EDD be handling Business process analysis of the changes Training of EDD staff Outreach activities Or is this included as part of the vendor's responsibilities of this procurement? 	Linda Fredericksen	A little bit of both. We've done a lot of work already analyzing how the new system will impact our current business processes, but vendor is responsible for some items as stated in the RFP (e.g. train-the-trainer, collaborate with the project office to ensure deployment with minimal impact to the organization). Outreach activities to date have been conducted in house, but we have \$500,000 that may be used for a vendor later.